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# IMA-E communities to host events in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

HEIDELBERG, GE – IMA-E communities will be hosting a variety of events in the days ahead in conjunction with this month's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. The following list gives a sampling of the activities planned for commemorating his birthday. Check out the dates and locations, and join in honoring a great American:

## Jan. 13, Thursday

#### 10:00 a.m. GRAFENWOEHR

Reenactment march and wreath-laying ceremony will be conducted from the Tower View Theater to the Headquarters Building. Keynote speaker will be HQs IMA-E Chaplain (COL) Ronald Strong.

#### 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. HOHENFELS

The 282nd BSB EO/EEO office will conduct a luncheon at the 282nd Dining Facility, featuring BG Russell L. Frutiger, Deputy Chief of Staff, G1, HQ USAREUR & 7th Army, as the guest speaker. Immediately following the luncheon, there will be a Unity March with Hohenfels High School students and community members. For more information, contact the EO/EEO office at DSN 466-4426/2440/4102.

#### 12:00 p.m.-1 p.m. GRAFENWOEHR

Martin Luther King Luncheon at the Grafenwoehr Tower View Conference Center with the HQs IMA-E Chaplain (COL) Ronald Strong as the guest speaker. Luncheon buffet is \$10. For tickets, contact Ms. Marcia Flowers at DSN 476-2368 or your local Equal Opportunity Office.

#### 5:30 p.m. KITZINGEN

The 417th BSB will hold a Candlelight March and Gospel Jubilee at the School Age Services (SAS) building on Marshall Heights housing area in Kitzingen. This annual event will start at 5:30 p.m. with a candlelight march around the Marshall Heights housing area. After the march, the group will move into the SAS building where gospel groups will perform a variety of spiritual

music selections, and a number of community members will speak about the life and achievements of Martin Luther King, Jr. After the jubilee service, there will be an open buffet, offering an assortment of ethnic dishes. For more information on the event, call DSN 355-8550 or commercial 09321-3058550.

#### 6 p.m.-7 p.m. GRAFENWOEHR

The Grafenwoehr Library will show documentaries featuring King. Call DSN 475-1740 for details.

#### Jan. 18, Tuesday

#### 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. STUTTGART

Martin Luther King Breakfast will be held in the Swabian Special Events Center on Patch Barracks. Cost is \$5.50 per person.

#### 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. KAISERSLAUTERN

Retired Sgt. Maj. Charles Eggleston will be the keynote speaker at a 415<sup>th</sup> BSB observance at the Armstrong Community Club in Vogelweh housing. Call Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Sandra D. Short at DSN 489-6038 for details.

## Jan. 21, Friday

#### 1:30 – 3 p.m. MANNHEIM

2<sup>nd</sup> Signal Brigade will host its annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration at the Schuh Theater in Benjamin Franklin Village. The event's theme is "Love and Serve Humanity." The guest speaker will be retired Brig. Gen. Clara Adams-Ender, chief executive officer and president of Caring People with Enthusiasm Associates, Inc. For details, call Sgt. 1st Class Dews at DSN 381-7050.

#### 7 p.m. HEIDELBERG

The Rhein-Neckar Branch of the NAACP and the German-American Institute of Heidelberg will sponsor the 19th annual international commemoration of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The program will be held in Heidelberg's historic Providenzkirche (Providence Church), located on the Hauptstrasse midway between Bismarckplatz and the Holy Ghost Church. The commemoration will start at 7 p.m. and will feature American and international guest speakers, as well as spiritual and gospel songs by the Zion Missionary Baptist Choir. The theme for this year's program will be "History and Hope; Remembering for the Future."

U.S guest speaker will be Professor Dr. Horace Huntley, director of the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute Oral History Project. The Birmingham Civil Rights Institute in Alabama is a museum showing historical events from post-World War I racial separation to present-day racial progress. The Institute promotes ongoing research and discourse on human right issues. Huntley is also lecturer in African-American studies at the University of Alabama in Birmingham.

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German guest speaker will be Professor Dr. Heinrich Grosse, a professor of theology at the Institute of Social Sciences in Hanover. He studied theology at the universities of Hamburg, Heidelberg, Tuebingen and Goettingen. He went to the U.S.A. in 1967, where he did post-graduate studies at theological schools in Boston. He was a volunteer in the summer of 1968 in the Delta Ministry of the National Council of Churches in Greenville, Miss. His doctoral thesis was published as "The Power of the Poor. Martin Luther King and the Fight for Social Justice."

Following the program there will be a reception and buffet sponsored by the DAI (German-American Institute). The reception will be at the DAI at Sofienstrasse 12 in Heidelberg (near Bismarckplatz), telephone 06221-607311.

The entire program is open to the public. For details, contact Mr. Rudolph Howze, 06221-600369 or Ms. Aubrey McCaster, 06205-289970.